

Novel FGF Homologs

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention relates to polynucleotide and polypeptide molecules for zFGF5 a novel member of the FGF family. The polypeptides, and polynucleotides encoding them, are proliferative for muscle cells, in particular cardiac cells and may be used for remodeling cardiac tissue and improving cardiac function. The present invention also includes antibodies to the zFGF5 polypeptides.

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